Request for Waiver of USAC Appeal Deadline

Proceeding: 02-6 (In the Matter of Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism)

Filer/Recipient (School or District): St Helen School

USAC Billed Entity Number of Filer: 37109

Form 471 Application Number: 191019545

FRN: 1999029451

Date of Filing USAC Appeal: September 23, 2019

Date of FCDL: April 27, 2019

USAC Appeal Number: 164907

<u>Description:</u> On April 27, 2019, USAC issued a Funding Commitment Decision Letter ("FCDL"), which approved FRN 1999029451 at a 40% discount rate. On September 23, 2019, we filed an appeal with USAC regarding the discount rate, which should have been 90%. We hereby ask the Commission to waive the 60-day filing deadline for the appeal with USAC.

Due to a ministerial/clerical error, incorrect enrollment and low-income student counts were entered into EPC prior to portal "lockdown" on January 15, 2019. In addition, "survey" method was entered into EPC. However, the school actually qualified for a CEP program in Florida, and qualified for a higher discount rate..

The error occurred because our office relied on enrollment and "low income" figures supplied by the Archdiocese of Miami, with which St Helen School is affiliated. The school itself only within the last 30 days discovered the error and supplied our office documentation showing their CEP figures. We filed appeal # 164907 with USAC to correct the discount rate, and we ask the Commission to waive the 60-day filing deadline for the USAC appeal.

Respectfully,

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